

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 6646

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LCO No. 4148



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING MARITAL AND FAMILY THERAPISTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 20-195c of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 3 October 1, 2013):
- 4 (a) Each applicant for licensure as a marital and family therapist
- 5 shall present to the department satisfactory evidence that such
- 6 applicant has: (1) Completed a graduate degree program specializing
- 7 in marital and family therapy from a regionally accredited college or
- 8 university or an accredited postgraduate clinical training program
- 9 [approved] <u>accredited</u> by the Commission on Accreditation for
- 10 Marriage and Family Therapy Education; [and recognized by the
- 11 United States Department of Education;] (2) completed a supervised
- 12 practicum or internship with emphasis in marital and family therapy
- 13 supervised by the program granting the requisite degree or by an
- 14 accredited postgraduate clinical training program, [approved]
- 15 <u>accredited</u> by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and
- 16 Family Therapy Education [recognized by the United States

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17 Department of Education] in which the student received a minimum of 18 five hundred direct clinical hours that included one hundred hours of clinical supervision; (3) completed a minimum of twelve months of 19 20 relevant postgraduate experience, including at least (A) one thousand 21 hours of direct client contact offering marital and family therapy 22 services subsequent to being awarded a master's degree or doctorate or 23 subsequent to the training year specified in subdivision (2) of this 24 subsection, and (B) one hundred hours of postgraduate clinical 25 supervision provided by a licensed marital and family therapist; and 26 (4) passed an examination prescribed by the department. The fee shall 27 be three hundred fifteen dollars for each initial application.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2013	20-195c(a)	

Statement of Purpose:

To make minor changes to the statute concerning the licensing of marital and family therapists.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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